

Welcome to Camp Wild at Whiskey Mountain!

Camp Wild at Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp offers an overnight camp experience for students entering 9th - 10th grade. Both the boys camp and girls camp will focus on exploration of nature, introduction to conservation principles, practicing science, and learning new recreational outdoor activities while giving participants experiences to successfully

navigate and positively interact with the outdoor environment. These camps led by Wyoming Game & Fish Department staff will allow participants to observe the natural world, engage in wildlife, fish, and habitat biology, and recreate responsibly in the outdoors. Participants will need to bring proper clothing and footwear for outdoor exploration as well as a sleeping bag and other overnight gear. Meals will be provided for the duration of the camp.

Registration: Please register online at

https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Education/Conservation-Education/Summer-Camps

Please complete the included behavior agreement form, general liability & medical release form, and medical info form and email them to <u>ashley.leonard@wyo.gov</u> or mail them to Ashley Leonard, 5400 Bishop Blvd, Cheyenne WY 82006 prior to June 15.

We hope you find the information included in this packet helpful, and please contact us if you have questions in the meantime at ashley.leonard@wyo.gov / (307) 421-3678 or Owen.carroll@wyo.gov / 801-518-8235.

We want to make all camp participants aware of the modifications and protocols that may be implemented during our 2020 summer camp programs. Camps will be abiding by the current Governor's recommendations and local variance orders for the safety of participants. These following may be implemented for the safety of participants and staff:

- We will be adapting our camp activities to maintain 6 ft social distancing at all possible times.
- We will be providing cloth face coverings (masks) and asking participants to wear them at all times except for when eating (or in individual cabins at overnight camps).
- Camp participants will be asked to wash or sanitize their hands before and after eating, after using the
 restroom, before and after touching any camp equipment and after each camp activity using restroom
 sinks or provided hand sanitizer.
- For overnight camps, we will be housing one participant per cabin. Each family unit at Family Camp will share a cabin

- We will be sanitizing common spaces at least twice daily, and sanitizing cabins entirely between overnight camp programs.
- We will be screening participants with a brief symptom questionnaire and taking temperatures with no-contact temporal thermometers each day to monitor for COVID-19 symptoms.
- If symptoms are detected or reported by any camp staff or participant, the sick person will immediately be sent home (day camps) or quarantined in their cabin until they can arrange to be sent home (overnight camps). Emergency medical care will be sought if necessary. Other camp participants will be notified, and the remainder of the camp will be cancelled with refunds issued. All camp staff and participants who interacted with a camper or staff member who tests positive for COVID-19 will be notified and expected to self-isolate at home for 14 days.

Arrival at Camp

Please plan to arrive at 11:00am on July 6(Girls camp) or July 13 (Boys camp). Pick up at the end of camp will be at 12:00 pm on July 10 (Girls camp) or July 17 (Boys camp).

Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp is located near Trail Lake, approximately ten miles southeast of Dubois, Wyoming. The camp, located on historic bighorn sheep winter range, is situated on Torrey Creek about one mile from the Fitzpatrick Wilderness Trailhead. There is a good possibility of seeing lots of wildlife, such as moose, deer, osprey, and bighorn sheep. The scenery is beautiful, so consider packing binoculars or a camera to capture your amazing surroundings. Included in this packet is a map and directions on how to get to camp. The road into camp is a dirt road, but most passenger vehicles can navigate it without any problems.

Directions to Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp

If you are heading East on U.S. Highway 26/287, 4.3 miles east of Dubois, turn right (south-southwest) at Jakey's Fork Rd. If you are arriving from the Lander/Riverton direction, turn left. There is a sign for the fish hatchery and Whiskey Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area. Drive left at the fork after the cattle guard. Stay on the main road approximately two miles and you will come to a "T". Go left up the hill. The road angles southeast. After approximately four miles, you should see Torrey Lake on your left. Stay on the main road by Ring Lake and Trail Lake. The road then angles southwest again. Stay on the main road. Do not make any turns. At approximately 7.6 miles you should be looking at the camp area. Parking is on your left once you drive under the entrance. Registration is straight ahead up the road at the big building on your right. A map is included at the end of the packet.

Other Considerations

There is no cell phone service at camp, and participants are welcome to bring their cell phones to camp but they will be expected to stay put away/in their bags unless they are being used to take photos at appropriate times. There is a land-line available for emergencies. The phone number at camp, in case of emergencies, is (307) 455-2457. For non-emergencies, parents can reach the camp director via email at ashley.leonard@wyo.gov or assistant director at owen.carroll@wyo.gov.

All meals are served buffet style in the main dining hall. If your child has special dietary concerns, please list them on the included medical information form, and be sure that the form is returned on time so that our caterer can meet your needs.

The recently renovated cabins that participants will be staying in have running water and indoor toilet facilities as well as showers. Beds are large cots, but linens, blankets, and pillows are not provided, so you will need to bring your own pillow and sleeping bag or sheets/blankets.

What to Pack:

Camp is located in an outdoor setting in mountainous terrain. The weather for past camps has varied greatly, from hot and sunny to chilly and raining, occasionally we have even had snow. Come prepared to be outdoors in all kinds of weather. As you know, in Wyoming, the weather changes very quickly. Bring clothes that allow you to dress in layers for both warm and cold conditions...we will continue with our camp activities regardless of the weather unless safety is at risk.

Please come prepared with the following items. Let us know if you have any questions or if you do not have access to any of the items:

	Pillow, sleeping bag, or other bedding to sleep on twin-size cots		
	Enough layers in case of cool weather (pants, sweatshirt)		
	5 days worth of clothing for warm weather		
	Raincoat		
	Hiking boots or a sturdy pair of closed-toe gym shoes		
	Water shoes / sandals that strap to your feet		
	Towel and washcloth		
	Hats (for sun and for warmth)		
	Light jacket, gloves		
	Toiletry articles (soap, shampoo, etc)		
	Sunscreen		
	Mosquito repellent		
	Day pack/ school backpack for hiking		
	At least 2 large water bottles (32 oz. each) or an equivalent hydration pack		
	Personal medicines (at least a one-week supply; please notify staff when you arrive with these)		
	Flashlight/headlamp		
	A wrist watch and/or digital alarm clock		
	Swimsuit or other water clothes		
	Sunglasses		
<u>Other s</u>	uggested items (not required):		
	Camera (digital or phone)		
	Binoculars		
	Fishing gear **you will only be permitted to fish under supervision during limited amounts of		
	free time if you bring a valid fishing license, conservation stamp, and your own gear**		

WHAT **NOT** TO BRING:

As indicated in the participant agreement found later in this packet, there are some items we do not permit participants to bring to camp. Our goal is to maintain the utmost safety for every person at the conservation camp. Therefore, if an item seems like it may challenge the safety of any person or property, it should not be brought to camp. These include but are not limited to:

Pocket or regular knives

Lighters

Firearms or ammunition

Alcohol

Illicit or prescription drugs not prescribed to you

Tobacco (in any form)

Fireworks or other explosives

Tentative Schedule - subject to change due to staffing, weather, and other considerations.

Day 1- Welcome & some wildlife

11:00am -12:00pm: Campers arrive at Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp;

Welcome/Announcements/Rules/Schedule for the week overview

12:00pm: Lunch

1:00pm - 3:00pm: Icebreakers, team builders, camp tour

3:00pm - 4:00pm: "Who we are and what we do" at Game & Fish

4:00pm-5:30pm: Outdoor photography

5:30pm - 6:00pm: Unpack & settle into assigned cabins

6:00pm - 7:00pm: Dinner & Announcements

7:00pm- 8:00pm: Recreating in bear country + bear spray training

8:00pm - 9:00pm: Intro to birdwatching

9:00 pm: Head back to cabins

Day 2- Habitat & Scientific inquiry

7:00am - 8:00am: Breakfast & Announcements

8:00am - 9:30am: Intro to scientific inquiry projects

9:30am- 10:00am: Get ready to hike & safety briefing

10:00am - 4:00pm: Wyoming Habitats Inquiry mini-research projects in the field while hiking to

Lake Louise in the Fitzpatrick Wilderness (with lunch around noon in the field)

4:00pm-4:30pm: Arrive back from field/break/snacks/regroup

4:30 pm -6:00 pm: Habitat inquiry project data analysis & presentation prep

6:00 pm-7:00 pm: Dinner & Announcements

7:00pm - 8:00pm: Each group gives a presentation on their habitat research project

8:00pm -9:00pm: Wildlife camouflage activity

9:00 pm: Head back to cabins

Day 3- Fish & Wildlife

7:00am - 8:00am: Breakfast & Announcements

8:00am - 9:30am- Intro to fish biology & set sampling nets

9:45am -10:45am: Tour the Dubois fish hatchery 10:45 am - 12:00 pm: Fish biology field experience

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm: Lunch

1:00 pm - 2:00pm: Wildlife ID quiz

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm: Wildlife biology field experience

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm: Fish passage game + Aquatic Invasive Species 5:00 pm- 6:00 pm: Supervised free time for fishing, games, etc.

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm: Dinner & Announcements

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm: Wildlife Forensics- CSI / Wildlife Diseases

9:00 pm: Head back to cabins

Day 4 - Outdoor Recreation

7:00 am - 8:00 am: Breakfast & Announcements 8:00 am - 11:00 pm: Flycasting + Archery + Air rifle

11:00am-12:00pm: Meet a Game Warden

12:00pm-1:00pm: Lunch

1:00pm-2:00pm: Population dynamics & Oh Deer game

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm: Canoeing on Torrey Creek

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm: Supervised free time for games, fishing, etc.

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm: Dinner & Announcements 7:00 pm - 7:45 pm: Create talent show skits 7:45 pm- 8:15 pm: All camp talent show 8:15 pm-9:00 pm: Closing campfire 9:00 pm: Head back to cabins

Day 5 - Wrapping it up

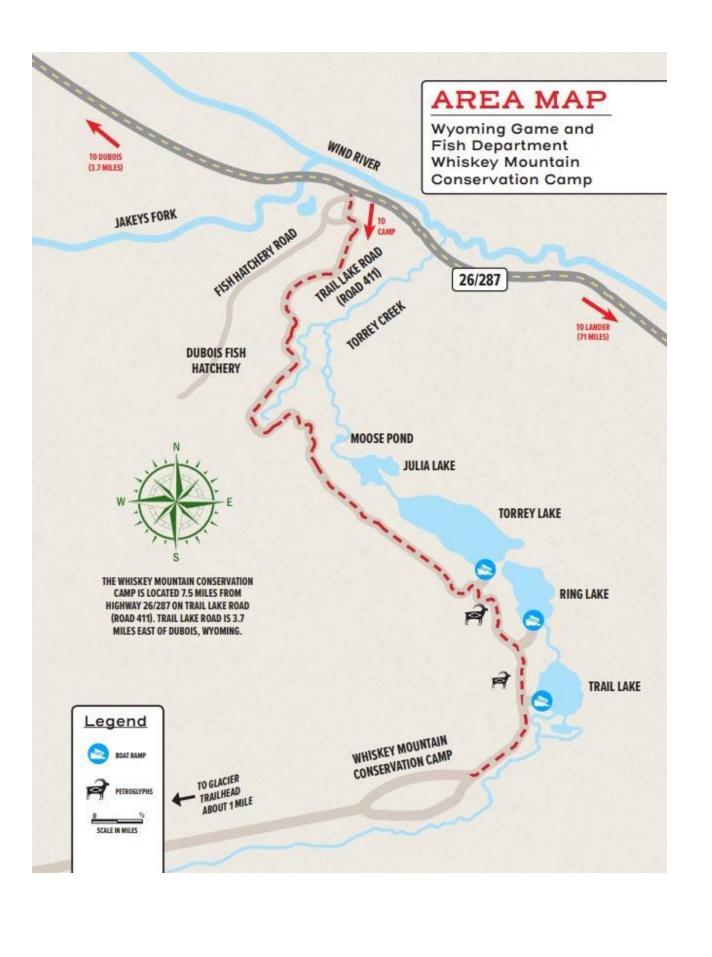
7:00 am - 8:00 am: Breakfast & Group Photo

8:00 am - 9:00 am: clean cabins & common spaces, pack up

9:00 am - 11:00 am: "Amazing Race" competition

11:00 am - 11:45 am: Closing slideshow

12:00 pm: Pick up campers - sack lunch to-go provided for the road



WY Game and Fish Conservation Camp Code of Conduct and Behavior Expectations

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) expects youth participants to behave in an acceptable manner at all times in accordance with the WGFD Behavioral Expectations and the Code of Conduct Policy.

Behavioral Expectations

The WGFD Youth Conservation Camp is designed to provide youth with a positive environment in which to learn and grow. It also provides opportunities for youth to build positive life-skills and conservation ethics. The WGFD supports good character ethics throughout their Youth Camp; Camper expectations are that they will demonstrate Trustworthiness, Respect, and Responsibility while attending Camp to assure that all youth have equal access to a positive learning environment. WGFD staff and volunteers also agree to abide by these expectations of behavior.

As a Youth Conservation Camp Participant, I agree to comply with these standards of behavior:

Standards of Behavior:

- To show respect to self, others, the facility, and the environment.
- To be responsible and accountable for actions & choices towards self and others.
- To share equally in group responsibilities and be fair in all activities.
- o To perform equal to your academic ability.
- o To not use profane, obscene, or abusive language.
- To possess no weapons of any kind.
- To abstain from using alcohol, illegal drugs or tobacco in any form.
- o To exhibit no violent behavior, chronic misbehavior or actions that result in an unsafe situation.
- o To abstain from exclusive relationships or sexual behavior.
- o To abstain from chronic or unsafe non-cooperation
- To the appropriate and respectful use of cell phones and digital cameras.

Code of Conduct Policy

If I do not abide by the items named in the Behavioral Expectations, I will experience the following consequences in the order listed:

- 1. The loss of rights and privileges at the event.
- 2. Notification of law enforcement as required by the infraction (ie underage possession of alcohol or drugs).
- 3. Being dismissed from Camp. Notification of my parents/guardians will occur and I will be sent home at my own expense prior to the conclusion of the activity.
- 4. The possible forfeiture of future participation in WGFD Youth Events. If this step is considered, Camp staff, WGFD supervisors, and the parents/guardians of the involved youth(s) will make input and determination.

Youth name / signature	date	parent name / signature	date

GENERAL RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND MEDICAL CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR MINOR CHILD

ALL parents/guardians of participants must sign this release.
I hereby certify that I am the adult parent or guardian of
I acknowledge that there are inherent risks of physical injury or illness to Camp Wild Program participants, and I agree to assume the full risk for any personal injury or death associated with my minor child's participation in the Camp Wild Program, and I waive and relinquish any and all claims for personal injury or death, or any damage or loss of property, and any other loss, damage, or expense of any kind that my minor child, my insurer, or my minor child's estate may have or which my minor child may have or which may accrue to said child on account of his/her participation in the Camp Wild Program, including but not limited to inherent risks of any sport or recreational opportunity as defined pursuant to the Wyoming Recreation Safety Act, Wyoming Statutes §§ 1-1-121 through 1-1-123.
I consent to my minor child receiving first aid and other emergency medical treatment in the event of an injury or illness incurred during my minor child's participation in the Camp Wild Program, and I waive and relinquish any and all claims for any personal injury or death, or any damage or loss of property, and any other loss, damage, or expense of any kind that I, my insurer, or my minor child's estate may have against the Released Parties arising out of such treatment. I give permission for the Released Parties to seek emergency medical services for my minor child, should he/she become injured or ill during his/her participation in the Camp Wild Program, with the understanding that I am responsible for any expenses incurred. I understand that the Released Parties do NOT provide any medical insurance coverage for minor children participating in the Camp Wild Program.
I further understand and agree that my minor child must abide by the general rules and conduct prescribed for the Camp Wild Program, and that violations may result in a denial of privileges, a forfeiture of all fees paid, and immediate removal from the Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp. I have read and understood this General Release of Liability and Medical Consent Agreement, and have voluntarily signed this Agreement.
First Parent/Guardian Name(printed):
First Parent/Guardian's relationship to minor child identified above:
First Parent/Guardian signature: Date:
Second Parent/Guardian Name(printed):
Second Parent/Guardian's relationship to minor child identified above:
Second Parent/Guardian Signature: Date:

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Additional (if applicable) Parent/Guardian	
Name(printed):	_
Additional (if applicable) Parent/Guardian's relationship to minor child identified	
Additional (if applicable) Parent/Guardian Signature:	
Date:	

If there are more than three Parents/Guardians for the minor child identified above, please request an additional form for the remaining Parents/Guardians to sign.

Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp - Youth Medical Information Form

OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATIONS

Participant may be administered the following medications by camp staff if necessary: Ibuprofen (Advil) naproxen (Aleve) aspirin diphenhydramine (Benadryl) Loratadine (Claritin) acetaminophen (Tylenol) calcium carbonate (Tums) MEDICAL HISTORY QUESTIONNAIRE The following information will only be used in case of an emergency and will remain confidential. Participant name:								
Please list:								
Current medications & what they treat	Allergies	Dietary Restrictions	Any other medical conditions					
Is asthma a concern? ☐ yes	no							
This medical history questionnaire is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. In case of medical emergency, I give my permission for employees of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department to render all possible aid to my child and to get medical treatment at the nearest doctor's office, clinic, or hospital.								
Parent/Guardian Signature:_		Date:						